engineer. He is very much aware that normally when State Electricity Boards pay damages, they do it out of their reserve funds, they pull out the money and spend. In private, the usual system would have been to ensure, or, insure yourself against the acts of God. In this particular case, this insurance was not done. In fact, the act of God came so quickly that the directives were not given. Therefore, this question of where the money is going to come from? We did offer various assistance...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Where has this money of the private sector gone now? Again, why should the State and the Centre have to go?

SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANAGALAM: Let me clarify that it is unfortunate if one particular instance is spelt out. The question asked was, how do you plan to ensure that this does not happen in other places? We have made it clear that in future, when we privatise, these conditions like facing acts of God or rioting or such other things that may happen must be covered by an appropriate insurance which does not have too much of a premium and can be handled.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Power Stations in Assam

*721. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of power stations under construction during the last five years in the state of Assam; and

(b) the time by when each power station is likely to be completed and the total amount likely to be incurred on the aforesaid power stations?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) The details of sanctioned hydro and thermal power projects under construction/commissioned during the last five years, including likely/ actual

date of completion and latest estimated cost of the projects in the State of Assam are given below:—

Sl. No.	Name of Project		Installed Capacity (MW)	Latest estimated cost (Rs. crore)	Likely date of completion
HYDRO					
1.	Kopili St. II (NEEPCO)		1 x 25	76.09	2003-04
2.	Karbi Langpi (Lower Borpani) (State)		2 x 50	288.37	10th Plan
3.	Dhansiri (State)		5 x 3 x 1.33	78.63	10th Plan
THERMAL					
1.	Kathalguri (NEEPCO)	GT 1 to 6 ST 1 to 3	6 x 33.5 3 x 30	1532.32	Commissioned
2.	Adamtilla (Private)	GT 1 & 2 + ST	3 x 3	45.53	Commissioned
3.	Banaskandi (Private)	GT 1 to 3 ST	3 x 3.5 5	80.10	Commissioned

The State of Assam will also be entitled to a share from the following projects under construction in the North Eastern region by the North Eastern Electric Power Corporation (NEEPCO) and National Hydro Electric Power Corporation (NHPC).

Sl. No.	Name of Project	State	Installed Capacity (MW)	Approved Cost (Rs. cr.)	Commissioning Schedule
1.	Doyang (NEEPCO)	Nagaland	75	758.70*	2000-01
2.	Ranganadi (NEEPCO)	Andhra Pradesh	405	1446.09*	2001-02
3.	Tuirial (NEEPCO)	Mizoram	60	368.72	2005-07

Sl. No.	Name of Project	State	Installed Capacity (MW)	Approved Cost (Rs. cr.)	Commissioning Schedule
4.	Loktak Downstream (NHPC)	Manipur	90	578.62	2006-07

* Revised cost estimate.

Potable Water Schemes

†*723. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of those States where work relating to potable water schemes for rural areas is going on under Indo-German collaboration alongwith the locations where drinking water had been made available;

(b) the amount of funds sanctioned for these schemes alongwith the total amount sanctioned and spent, scheme-wise;

(c) what is the status of these schemes and by when these are likely to be completed; and

(d) whether the condition relating to potable water in all the districts of Madhya Pradesh is very critical?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDER LAL PATWA): (a) The projects relating to potable water supply for rural areas under Indo-German collaboration are under implementation in:

(i) Churu & Hanumangarh districts of Rajasthan,

(ii) Bolpur & Raghunathpur in Birbhum and Purulia districts of West Bengal, and

(iii) Sircilla area of Karimnagar district of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) and (c) All the three projects are under implementation and details of the same are given in the statement. (*See* below)

(d) As reported by the State Government, there is inadequate availability of potable water in 31 out of total 61 districts of Madhya Pradesh due to failure of monsoon in 1999 and depletion of ground water table due to over-exploitation.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.